



# **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY**

D.T.E. 06-4

June 28, 2006

Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy to establish a permanent surcharge to recover prudently incurred costs associated with the provision of wireline Enhanced 911 services, relay services for TDD/TTY users, communications equipment distribution for people with disabilities, and amplified handsets at pay telephones.

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### **REVISED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

On June 21, 2006, the Statewide Emergency Telecommunications Board ("SETB") filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") its revised revenue and expense projections for the Wireline Enhanced 911 Trust Fund. Along with its revised projections, SETB submitted a motion for a three-day extension of time to file its direct testimony in this proceeding, arguing that the additional time was needed to allow SETB to describe the revised cost projection and to clarify any other information that has already been provided to the Department on other cost projections. On June 26, 2006, the Department granted SETB's request for a three-day extension, to June 29, 2006, to file its testimony.

In response to SETB's extension request, Verizon New England, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts ("Verizon") requested modifications to the procedural schedule to allow adequate time to conduct discovery on the revised revenue and cost projections and on SETB's testimony. Additional time to conduct discovery on SETB's revised projections and pre-filed testimony is appropriate given the revised projections and the granting of the extension request for the filing of testimony. Moreover, the requested modifications to the procedural schedule are reasonable and will not unduly delay the proceeding. With minor adjustments to the schedule proposed by Verizon, the procedural schedule is revised as follows:

Pre-filed Testimony	Thursday, June 29, 2006
Last day to issue discovery	Monday, July 10, 2006
Responses to discovery due	Monday, July 21, 2006
Evidentiary Hearing	Monday, July 31, 2006
Record Request Replies due	Monday, August 7, 2006

Initial Briefs

Thursday, August 24, 2006

Reply Briefs

Thursday, August 31, 2006

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